



“For this I will lament and wail...”

MICAH 1:8A

We gather to worship God, who comforts those who mourn.

Preparatory Hymn

“Come Thou Fount”

Welcome

Scriptural Call to Worship

James 4:10

Prayer of Praise

Hymn

“Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah”

Hymn

“Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me”

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1 Kings 21:20-29

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Hymn

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Hymn

“Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!”

Hymn

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Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

Moment of Silent Reflection

PREPARATORY HYMN: COME, THOU FOUNT



1. Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
2. Here I raise mine Eb - e - ne - zer; Hith - er by Thy help I'm come;
3. O to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con - strained to be!
4. O that day when freed from sinn - ing, I shall see Thy love - ly face;



Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, Call for songs of loud - est praise:
And I hope by Thy good plea - sure, Safe - ly to ar - rive at home:
Let Thy grace, Lord, like a fet - ter, Bind my wan - d'ring heart to Thee:
Cloth - ed then in blood washed lin - en, How I'll sing Thy sov - 'reign grace;



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, Sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger, Wan - d'ring from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
Come, my Lord no long - er tar - ry, Take my ran - somed soul a - way;



Praise the mount! I'm fixed up - pon it, Mount of Thy re - deem - ing love.
He to res - cue me from dan - ger, In - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.
Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.
Send thine an - gels now to car - ry Me to realms of end - less day.



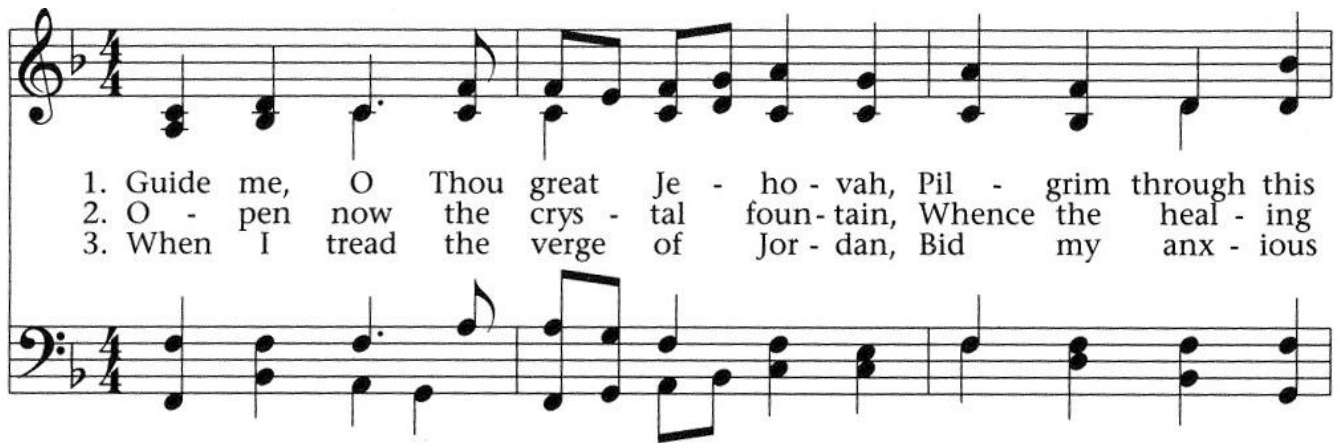
SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP

JAMES 4:10

Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

PRAYER OF PRAISE

GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH



1. Guide me, O Thou great Je - ho - vah, Pil - grim through this
2. O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, Whence the heal - ing
3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land; I am weak, but Thou art might - y; Hold me
stream doth flow; Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar Lead me
fears sub - side; Bear me thro' the swell - ing cur - rent, Land me



with Thy pow'r - ful hand; Bread of heav - en, Bread of heav - en,
all my jour - ney through; Strong De - liv - erer, strong De - liv - erer,
safe on Ca - naan's side; Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es



Feed me till I want no more, Feed me till I want no more.
Be Thou still my strength and shield, Be Thou still my strength and shield.
I will ev - er give to Thee, I will ev - er give to Thee.

YET NOT I BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME

1. What gift of grace is Je - sus my Re - deem - er, There is no more
 2. The night is dark but I am not for - sak - en, For by my side,
 3. No fate I dread, I know I am for - giv - en, The fu - ture sure,
 4. With eve - ry breath I long to fol - low Je - sus For he has said

for hea - ven now to give; He is my joy, my right - eous - ness, and free - dom,
 the Sav - ior he will stay; I la - bor on in weak - ness and rej - oic - ing,
 the price it has been paid; For Je - sus bled and suf - fered for my par - don,
 that he will bring me home; And day by day I know he will re - new me,

My stead - fast love, my deep and bound - less peace. To this I hold,
 For in my need, his pow - er is dis - played. To this I hold,
 And he was raised to o - ver - throw the grave. To this I hold,
 Un - til I stand with joy be - fore the throne. To this I hold,

my hope is on - ly Je - sus, For my life is whol - ly bound to his; Oh how
 my Shep - herd will de - fend me, Through the deep - est val - ley he will lead; Oh the
 my sin has been de - fea - ted, Je - sus now and ev - er is my plea; Oh the
 my hope is on - ly Je - sus, All the glo - ry ev - er - more to him; When the

strange and di - vine, I can sing: all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
 night has been won, and I shall o - ver - come! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
 chains are re - leased, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
 race is com - plete, still my lips shall re - peat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 KINGS 21:20-29

²⁰ Ahab said to Elijah, “Have you found me, O my enemy?” He answered, “I have found you, because you have sold yourself to do what is evil in the sight of the LORD. ²¹ Behold, I will bring disaster upon you. I will utterly burn you up, and will cut off from Ahab every male, bond or free, in Israel. ²² And I will make your house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah, for the anger to which you have provoked me, and because you have made Israel to sin. ²³ And of Jezebel the LORD also said, ‘The dogs shall eat Jezebel within the walls of Jezreel.’ ²⁴ Anyone belonging to Ahab who dies in the city the dogs shall eat, and anyone of his who dies in the open country the birds of the heavens shall eat.”

²⁵ (There was none who sold himself to do what was evil in the sight of the LORD like Ahab, whom Jezebel his wife incited. ²⁶ He acted very abominably in going after idols, as the Amorites had done, whom the LORD cast out before the people of Israel.)

²⁷ And when Ahab heard those words, he tore his clothes and put sackcloth on his flesh and fasted and lay in sackcloth and went about dejectedly. ²⁸ And the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying, ²⁹ “Have you seen how Ahab has humbled himself before me? Because he has humbled himself before me, I will not bring the disaster in his days; but in his son’s days I will bring the disaster upon his house.”

SCRIPTURE READING

2 CORINTHIANS 7:8-13

⁸ For even if I made you grieve with my letter, I do not regret it—though I did regret it, for I see that that letter grieved you, though only for a while. ⁹ As it is, I rejoice, not because you were grieved, but because you were grieved into repenting. For you felt a godly grief, so that you suffered no loss through us.

¹⁰ For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death. ¹¹ For see what earnestness this godly grief has produced in you, but also what eagerness to clear yourselves, what indignation, what fear, what longing, what zeal, what punishment! At every point you have proved yourselves innocent in the matter. ¹² So although I wrote to you, it was not for the sake of the one who did the wrong, nor for the sake of the one who suffered the wrong, but in order that your earnestness for us might be revealed to you in the sight of God. ¹³ Therefore we are comforted.

And besides our own comfort, we rejoiced still more at the joy of Titus, because his spirit has been refreshed by you all.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MATTHEW 5:3-4

³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

COME, YE SINNERS, POOR AND NEEDY

1. Come, ye sin - ners, poor and need - y, weak and wound - ed, sick and sore;
 2. Now, ye need - y, come and wel - come; God's free boun - ty glo - ri - fy;
 3. Let not con - science make you lin - ger, nor of fit - ness fond - ly dream;
 4. Come, ye wear - y, heav - y lad - en, lost and ru - ined by the fall;
 5. View Him pro - strate in the gar - den, on the ground your Ma - ker lies!
 6. Lo, th'in - car - nate God, as - cend - ed, pleads the mer - it of His blood;

Je - sus read - y stands to save you, full of pit - y, love, and power;
 True be - lief and true re - pen - tance, e - v'ry grace that brings you nigh,
 All the fit - ness He re - quir - eth is to feel your need of Him:
 If you wait un - til you're bet - ter, you will ne - ver come at all:
 On the aw - ful tree be - hold Him, hear Him cry be - fore He dies.
 Ven - ture on Him, ven - ture whol - ly, let no o - ther trust in - trude:

He is a - ble, He is a - ble, He is a - ble,
 With - out mon - ey, with - out mon - ey, with - out mon - ey
 This He gives you, this He gives you, this He gives you
 Not the right - eous, not the right - eous, not the right - eous
 It is fin - ished! It is fin - ished! It is fin - ished!
 None but Je - sus, none but Je - sus, none but Je - sus

He is wil - ling doubt no more. He is wil - ling doubt no more.
 come to Je - sus Christ and buy. Come to Je - sus Christ and buy.
 'Tis the Spir - it's ris - ing beam. 'Tis the Spir - it's ris - ing beam.
 Sin - ners, Je - sus came to call. Sin - ners, Je - sus came to call.
 Sin - ner will not this suf - fice? Sin - ner will not this suf - fice?
 Can do help - less sin - ners good. Can do help - less sin - ners good.

SERMON

IDOLATRY AND LAMENT

MICAH 1:2-16

- ² Hear, you peoples, all of you;
pay attention, O earth, and all that is in it,
and let the Lord GOD be a witness against you,
the Lord from his holy temple.
- ³ For behold, the LORD is coming out of his place,
and will come down and tread upon the high places of the earth.
- ⁴ And the mountains will melt under him,
and the valleys will split open,
like wax before the fire,
like waters poured down a steep place.
- ⁵ All this is for the transgression of Jacob
and for the sins of the house of Israel.
What is the transgression of Jacob?
Is it not Samaria?
And what is the high place of Judah?
Is it not Jerusalem?
- ⁶ Therefore I will make Samaria a heap in the open country,
a place for planting vineyards,
and I will pour down her stones into the valley
and uncover her foundations.
- ⁷ All her carved images shall be beaten to pieces,
all her wages shall be burned with fire,
and all her idols I will lay waste,
for from the fee of a prostitute she gathered them,
and to the fee of a prostitute they shall return.
- ⁸ For this I will lament and wail;
I will go stripped and naked;
I will make lamentation like the jackals,
and mourning like the ostriches.
- ⁹ For her wound is incurable,

and it has come to Judah;
it has reached to the gate of my people,
to Jerusalem.

- 10 Tell it not in Gath;
weep not at all;
in Beth-le-aphrah
roll yourselves in the dust.
- 11 Pass on your way,
inhabitants of Shaphir,
in nakedness and shame;
the inhabitants of Zaanan
do not come out;
the lamentation of Beth-ezel
shall take away from you its standing place.
- 12 For the inhabitants of Maroth
wait anxiously for good,
because disaster has come down from the LORD
to the gate of Jerusalem.
- 13 Harness the steeds to the chariots,
inhabitants of Lachish;
it was the beginning of sin
to the daughter of Zion,
for in you were found
the transgressions of Israel.
- 14 Therefore you shall give parting gifts
to Moresheth-gath;
the houses of Achzib shall be a deceitful thing
to the kings of Israel.
- 15 I will again bring a conqueror to you,
inhabitants of Mareshah;
the glory of Israel
shall come to Adullam.
- 16 Make yourselves bald and cut off your hair,
for the children of your delight;
make yourselves as bald as the eagle,
for they shall go from you into exile.

SERMON NOTES

HIS MERCY IS MORE



1. What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done? Om - nis - cient, all -
 2. What pat - ience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam? What Fa - ther, so
 3. What rich - es of kind - ness he lav - ished on us: His blood was the



know - ing, he counts not their sum; Thrown in - to a sea with - out
 ten - der, is cal - ling us home? He wel - comes the weak - est, the
 pay - ment, his life was the cost. We stood 'neath a debt we could



bot - tom or shore, Our sins they are ma - ny, his mer - cy is more!
 vil - est, the poor; Our sins they are ma - ny, his mer - cy is
 ne - ver af - ford, Our sins they are ma - ny, his mer - cy is



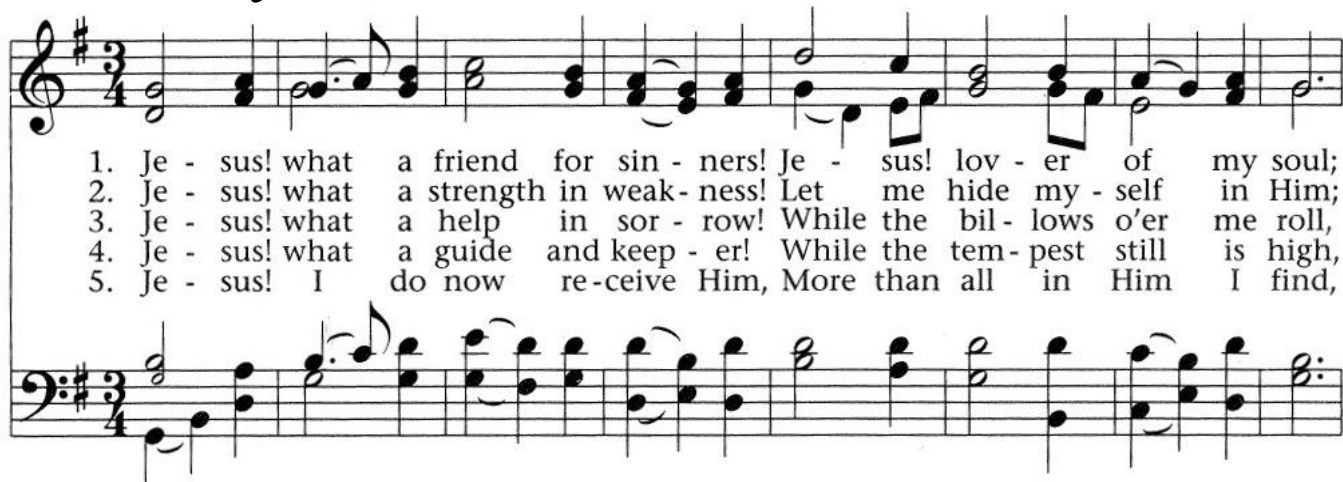
more!
 more! *Praise the Lord!* *His mer - cy is more!*



Stron - ger than dark - ness, new ev - 'ry morn, Our sins they are ma - ny, his mer - cy is more!



JESUS, WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS



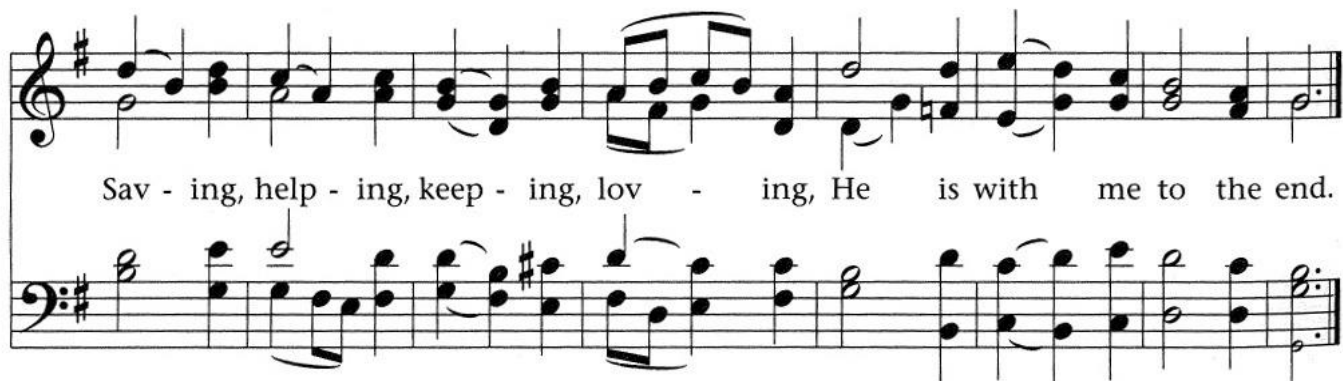
1. Je - sus! what a friend for sin - ners! Je - sus! lov - er of my soul;
2. Je - sus! what a strength in weak - ness! Let me hide my - self in Him;
3. Je - sus! what a help in sor - row! While the bil - lows o'er me roll,
4. Je - sus! what a guide and keep - er! While the tem - pest still is high,
5. Je - sus! I do now re - ceive Him, More than all in Him I find,



Friends may fail me, foes as - sail me, He, my Sav - ior, makes me whole.
Tempt - ed, tried, and some - times fail - ing, He, my strength, my vic - t'ry wins.
E - ven when my heart is break - ing, He, my com - fort, helps my soul.
Storms a - bout me, night o'er - takes me, He, my pi - lot, hears my cry,
He hath grant - ed me for - give - ness, I am His, and He is mine.



Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior! Hal - le - lu - jah! what a friend!



Sav - ing, help - ing, keep - ing, lov - ing, He is with me to the end.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all bles - sings flow; Praise Him, all crea - tures here be - low;

Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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WHO IS JESUS?

Our greatest prayer for you is that you would come to know Jesus. Though we have all rebelled against God, He sent Jesus, His only Son, into our broken world. Through Jesus's obedient life, sacrificial death, and victorious resurrection, sinners can be forgiven and reconciled to God through turning from our sins and trusting in Him.

FOLLOWING JESUS

Baptism is publicly professing your faith in Jesus and identifying with His people.

Discipleship is walking together in life and helping one another follow Jesus faithfully.

Membership is our mutual commitment to follow Jesus together in the context of a local church.

Service to the church and the world is what characterizes Jesus's followers as we seek to make Him known.

If you would like to learn more about Jesus and what it means to follow Him, we would love to talk with you. Please speak with one of our elders or submit a connect card (scan the QR code below).

VISITORS & GUESTS

Welcome! If you are new to our church, we invite you to connect with an elder in the foyer after the service so that we can welcome you personally.

You can also complete a **Connect Card**, available in the pews or via this QR code, to request more information about this church or about what it means to be a Christian.



Families with Children We offer Sunday School classes at 9:30am for grades K-12 and childcare for infants to pre-K during the 10:45 worship service. Canvas 'busy bags' are available in the lobby for children to use during the service. Additional information about our Children's Ministry is available on our website.

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Members' Meeting – Tonight at 5PM

Members of FBC, please plan to join us for this important time in the life of our church.

Fall Family Meal Share – September 22

Please register online to host or attend a meal on Sunday, September 22nd following the morning service. More information has been sent via email. See Sally Hoagland with any questions or to register in-person.

Christianity Explored Invites Available

Invites are available in the foyer for our upcoming Christianity Explored class which will take place over Zoom beginning on September 30th. Please take a stack and invite those the Lord has brought into your life to this evangelistic class.

Sermon Text for Next Week: Micah 2:1-13

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Give
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Wednesday
Zoom Prayer
6:30pm

